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Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Room 700 Washington, DC 20006 ENTERED
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 606X), CSX Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment Exemption – in Allegheny County, PA

Dear Secretary Williams:

The City of Pittsburgh, PA ("Pittsburgh") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 1.6 miles of railroad between milepost BFH-0.5 and milepost BFH-2.1, and the Borough of Millvale ("Millvale") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 0.5 miles of railroad between milepost BFH 0.0 and milepost BFH 0.5, of the Northeast Region, Baltimore Division, P&W Subdivision, in Pittsburgh, Allegheny, PA, in the above-entitled proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expires on December 20, 2006. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with Pittsburgh or Millvale, but desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with Pittsburgh and Millvale. CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a 180-day extension of time to June 18, 2007 to negotiate trail use with the County. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to August 17, 2007.

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$350.00. Please time and date stamp a copy of this letter and return it with the enclosed self-addressed and stamped letter.

Thank you for your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Armbrust

cc: Parties of Record